Recommendations of Fuel Wood Study Committee

292. SHRI PAWAN KUMAR BANSAL : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) what are the recommendations of the Fuel Wood Study Committee of the Planning Commsission regarding the annual plantation of forests; and

(b) what is the percentage of target achieved in this regard during the last three years ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI Z.R. ANSARI) : (a) The Fuel Wood Study Committee recommended setting up of the annual fuelwood plantation programme upto about 1.5 million hectares and distribution of seedlings the to extent of about 800 million per annum during the next 10 years.

(b) During the period 1982-85 the cumulative achievements against the above targets in respect of plantations and distribution of seedlings has been 42 percent and 140 percent respectively.

Re-examination for some candidates appearing for Civil Services (Main) Examination, 1985

293. SHRI F.M. KHAN : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that answer books of some candidates who appeared for Civil Services (Main) Examination, 1985 were lost;

(b) whether it is also a fact that those candidates whose answer books were lost have been asked to re-appear in those papers ;

(c) if so, what are the details thereof and whether their results have been with held and they have been asked to re-appear in the said examination;

(d) whether those candidates who were not declared qualified for interview are to be considered for interview in case the requisite number of candidates after the re-examination fail to qualify for the same : and

(e) if so, what are the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM) (a) Yes, Sir. Inquiries from the Union Public Service Commission reveal that the answer books in General Studies paper-II of 94 candidates who took the Civil Services (Main) Examination, 1985 were lost in postal transit.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) The results of these 94 candidates have been withheld and their re-examination in General Studies paper-II will be held on 28.4.86 The results of these 94 candidates will be announced soon after their answer scripts in this paper have been evaluated.

(d) and (e) The Commission have intimated the all those candidates out of these 94 candidates who would qualify for Personality Test after re-examination in this paper, would be called for interview in addition to those earlier been declared qualified in the written part of the Examination. No other candidate, who had not been declared qualified for interview earlier, is to be considered for interview.

India's Concern over hurdles in putting up Pillars on the Indo-Bangladesh Border

294. SHRIMATI RATAN KUMARI: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether India has recently conveyed its concern to Bangladesh over the heudles being put from across

the border in the erection and maintenance of border pillars alsong the Indo-Bangladesh border : and

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI K. R. NARYANAN): (a) No, Sir. There have been no cases of hurdles being put up by Bangladesh in the erection and maintenance of border pillars.

(b) Does not arise.

Computerisation of Income-Tax Department

295. SHRI MOSTAFA BIN QUASEM : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the computerisation programme for the income tax department has been completed by the Computer Maintenance Corporation ;

(b) if so, whether consideration to the human problems of thousands of lower grade employees were also taken into account :

(c) if so, the details thereof ; and

(d) by when Government's decision thereon is expected ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF ATOMIC ENERGY, ELECTRONICS, OCEAN DEVELOPMENT AND SPACE (SHRI SHIVRAJ PATIL) : (a) CMC has prepared a feasibility study report for Income Tax Department, and submitted its report to Income Tax Department, whose decision is awaited.

(b) to (d) Since a decision on the Report has not yet been taken the organisational aspect is yet to be studied in depth.

Influx of Bangladeshis *Via* Murshidabad and Malda Districts

296. SHRI YALLA SESI BHUSHANA RAO : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that influx of foreigners from Bangladesh into India through the districts of Murshidabad and Malda is continuing unabated; and

(b) if so, what measures are being taken by Government to prevent such infiltration of people from Bangladesh?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INTERNAL SECURITY (SHRI ARUN NEHRU) : (a) No Sir.

(b) Measures have already been taken in hand by the Government to further strengthan surveillance along the Indo-Bongladesh Border by strengthening Border Security Force, establishing additional border out-posts; construction of observation post towers and providing increased mobility to border petrols.

India's Response to Appeals of Bishop Desmond for Economic Sanctions against South Africa

297. SHRI RAMCHANDRA BHARADWAJ : Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the recent appeals issued by Bishop Desmond to the world Governments for taking effective punitive economic sanctions against the Bootha's aparthied regime of South Africa to force the latter to give up its aparthied policy; and

(b) if so, what has been India's reaction and response thereto, as a leader of the non-aligned countries?